# **User's Manual**

Rainier-4U, 4U1V, 8U1V, 12U1V, 16U1V

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### Welcome

Congratulations on purchasing this Avitech Rainier-4x / 4x1V / 8x1V / 12x1V / 16x1V.

Building on the popularity of the Rainier series, Avitech's new Rainier-4x / 4x1V / 8x1V / 12x1V / 16x1V multi-image processor has four auto-sensing HD-SDI / SD-SDI and composite video inputs as well as high quality DVI output with up to  $1920 \times 1200$  resolution. The Rainier provides full flexibility of sizing and positioning of the windows. The processor also displays embedded audio meter, alarms, tally and aspect ratio marker.

Up to four Rainier processors can be cascaded in a single display.

### **About this Manual**

This manual contains comprehensive information about your Avitech Rainier to help you operate the device.

Throughout the manual, the following conventions are used to distinguish elements of text.

NOTE: provides additional hints or information that requires special attention.

**CAUTION:** identifies important information which, if not followed, may result in loss of data or damage to your device.

Any name of menu, command, icon or button that you can see on the screen is shown in a bold typeset. For example:

On the Start menu, select Settings.

# 1

# **Getting Started**

This chapter introduces you to the features and specifications, as well as the external components of your Avitech Rainier. It also guides you through the process of setting up your Rainier for use.

NOTE: Depending on the model you purchased, the cabinet color and the look of the accessories may be different from the ones shown in this manual.

# 1.1 Package Contents

After unpacking the shipping carton, you should find these standard items:



Avitech Rainier



RS-485 Cascading Cable (optional – when purchasing 2 or more Rainier)



**RJ-50 GPI Terminal Block** 



Utility Disc (contains software and user's manual)



DVI-to-VGA Adapter



DVI Cascading Cable (optional – when purchasing 2 or more Rainier)



Standard Power Cord (US customers only)



Set of screws (optional)



Blank Panel (already installed on Rainier upon order for assembly on to rack mount)



Ear (already installed on Rainier upon order for assembly on to rack mount)



Keypad (optional)



Keypad Converter Y-cable (optional)



Avitech TACP (Touch-screen Avitech Control Panel – optional)

# 1.2 Product Features

Model	DVI / VGA / YPbPr Input	Video Input NTSC / PAL	Maximum Output Resolution
Rainier-4a	N/A (not applicable)	4	1440×900
Rainier-4a1V	1	4	1920×1200
Rainier-8a1V	1	8	1920×1200
Rainier-12a1V	1	12	1920×1200

Model	DVI / VGA / YPbPr Input	Video Input NTSC / PAL	Maximum Output Resolution
Rainier-16a1V	1	16	1920×1200
Rainier-4d	N/A	4 SD-SDI	1440×900
Rainier-4d1V	1	4 SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier-8d1V	1	8 SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier-12d1V	1	12 SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier-16d1V	1	16 SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier-4U	N/A	4 HD/SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier-4U1V	1	4 HD/SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier-8U1V	1	8 HD/SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier-12U1V	1	12 HD/SD-SDI	1920×1200
Rainier 16U1V	1	16 HD/SD-SDI	1920×1200

- Automatic sensing of HD-SDI / SD-SDI and composite analog input.
- Computer graphic input: DVI-I input resolution up to 1920×1200 (WUXGA).
- Minimal processing delay of less than one frame except for full screen display.
- Automatic detection of aspect ratio 16:9 and 4:3.
- Up to 26 internal configuration presets.
- Embedded audio meter that allows any mono or stereo audio to be monitored.
- On-screen display of labels, borders, and video alarms (future option).
- Communication control via IP or RS-232.
- Compatibility with Galaxy software for configuration, monitor layout, and multiple-system control.
- Avitech ASCII Protocol (AAP) support.
- Compatible with optional Touch-Screen Avitech Control Panel (TACP) via the ACP user interface

# **Specifications**

Pa	rts	Specifications
Inputs	Video	Automatic sensing via BNC
		HD-SDI (1080i/59.94, 1080i/60, 1080i/50, 720p/59.94, 720p/60, 720p/50)
		SD-SDI (NTSC/525i, PAL/625i, 525p/59.94, 625p/50)
		Composite analog (NTSC, PAL)
		Number of inputs: 4
	DVI-I	Automatic detection
		Input resolution: up to 1920×1200 (WUXGA)
		For background display or for cascading multiple modules together
		Number of input: 1
	Audio	Display 2 channels of embedded audio per HD-SDI audio
Output		Resolution up to 1920×1200 (WUXGA) via DVI-I connector
		Number of output: 1
GPI		8 inputs
Data input /	Serial port	Number of port: 1
output		Baud rate: up to 57600 bps
		RS-232 / 422 supporting TSL (one RS-422 to RS-232 converter may be needed for each connection to an Avitech module)
	Ethernet	Network Type: 100Base-T
		Number of port: 1 RJ-45
	RS-485	Number of ports: 2
Power supply		Less than 30 watts
		100 – 240 V, 50 / 60 Hz (external)
		12 V DC
Housing		Metal
Dimension (W×D×H)	1/2 rack	209.6×271.8×44.5 mm (8.25×10.7×1.75 inch) Two can be mounted side-by-side in 1 RU
(W×D×H) Weight		2.3 kg (5 lbs)
Environment	Temperature	Operating: 0 °C (32 °F) to 40 °C (104 °F)
	_	Storage: -10 °C (-4 °F) to 50 °C (122 °F)
	Humidity	0 % to 80 % relative, non-condensing
Safety regulations		FCC / CE / C-Tick, Class A

## **Operating Features**

- Standalone operation (single Rainier) with control via RS-232 cable / IP or; multiple operations (up to four Rainier three DVI).
- Two Rainier can fit in a single rack unit space for a maximum of eight video inputs and one multimedia input.
- SD-SDI units can de-embed one stereo audio pair for meter displays and each audio source can be outputted via AES audio.
- Single scaleable DVI input for use with VGA / DVI / component inputs.
- Computer (DVI-I) input can be in any size / position.
- RJ-50 GPI terminal block adapter is provided for tally or loading presets.
- Up to 26 presets / configurations can be saved and recalled from the module's Flash EEPROM.
- Not compatible with ACC-8000, MCC-8004, or VCC-8000 series modules.

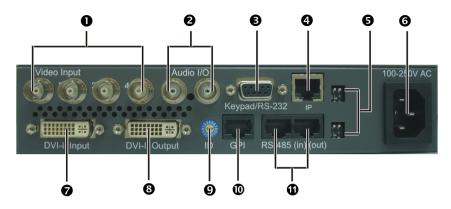
# 1.3 Identifying the Front Hardware Component



IMPORTANT for Rainier-4a / 4d and 4a1V / 4d1V: the HD label is not printed on the front panel.

Ref	Component	Description
0	Power LED	Lights green when the Rainier is powered on.

# 1.4 Identifying the Rear Hardware Components



**IMPORTANT:** Refer to the next table's "Description" column for availability of the ports on your particular model.

Ref	Label / Component	Description
0	Video Input 1 / 2 / 3 / 4	BNC connectors for HD / SD-SDI / composite video inputs.
2	Audio I/O	AES connectors for audio cascade.
		<b>NOTE</b> : These ports are not available for the Rainier-4a and 4a1V.
€	Keypad/RS-232	RS-232 connector for signal from PC or optional TACP (Touch-Screen Control Panel) or numerical Simplified Control Panel (SCP) keypad via optional keypad converter Y-cable.
4	IP	Ethernet connector for using the computer's Galaxy software to perform setup on the Rainier.
6	DIP switches	For updating the firmware or for reverting the Rainier back to the factory-default setting.
0	100-250V AC	Power jack for connecting the AC power cord.
7	DVI-I Input	DVI-I connector for multimedia input (cascade from other Rainier series device).
		<b>NOTE:</b> This port is not available for the Rainier-4a, 4d, and 4U.
8	DVI-I Output	DVI-I connector for output to monitor display.

Ref	Label / Component	Description
9	ID	Rotary dial to assign unique addresses in systems with two or more units.
•	GPI	RJ-50 connector for GP input / output.
1	RS-485 (in) (out)	RS-485 connectors for serial cascading input / output.

# 1.5 Getting Your Rainier Ready for Use

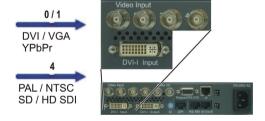
### **Basic Hardware Connections**

Perform the following steps to get your Rainier up and running:

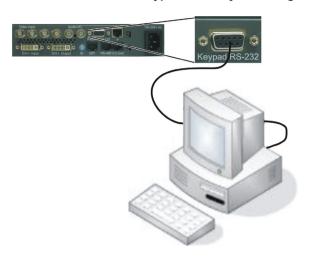
NOTE: The steps outlined next would depend on the type of configuration you wish to set up.

 Connect up to four BNC cables to the four Video Input 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 ports for HD / SD-SDI / composite video inputs.

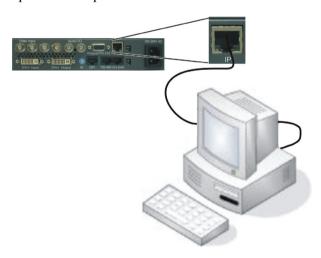
Or, connect one VGA / DVI cable to the  $\mbox{\bf DVI-I}$  input port for VGA / DVI video input.



2. Connect the RS-232 cable to the **Keypad/RS-232** port for signal from PC.



Or, connect the Ethernet cable to the **IP** port for using the computer's Galaxy software to perform setup on the Rainier.

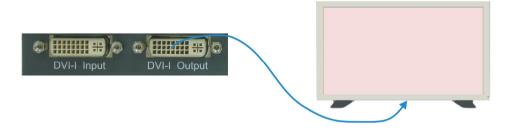


3. Connect the DVI-I cable to the **DVI-I Input** port for video input to the Rainier.



NOTE: Skip this step for the Rainier-4a / 4d / 4U models only.

4. Connect the DVI-I cable to the **DVI-I Output** port for video output to the monitor display.



5. Make sure to assign a unique address to your Rainier **ID** rotary dial when connecting to systems with two or more units.



6. Connect up to two audio cables to the two AES **Audio I/O** ports for audio cascade.

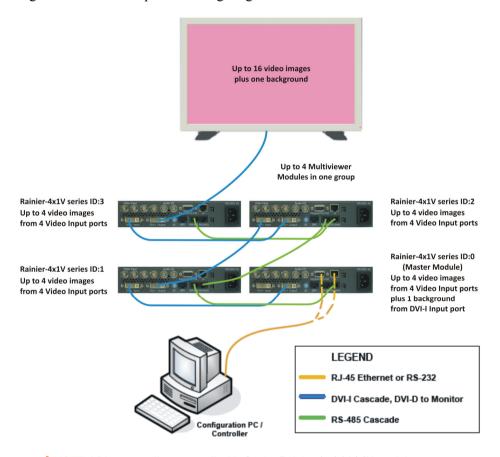


7. Connect the AC power cord to the **100-250V AC** power jack and make sure that power is available.



### **Cascading Modules**

Avitech Multiviewer modules can be contained so it can be used as a standalone unit, or cascaded together to create a larger system, allowing the combined inputs to be displayed on one output monitor display. Cascading refers to the additive flow of processed video and data through each module. The following figure shows the sample cascading diagram.



NOTE: Video cascading not applicable for the Rainier-4a / 4d / 4U models.

The following characteristics define cascading:

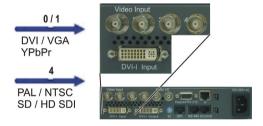
• Up to four modules can be combined into one single Group.

- Cascade modules to increase the number of source signal windows that can be displayed on one monitor display.
- Each module may contribute four source windows and a clock or a logo that are "placed over" a DVI background.
- Cascading does not add processing delay since the "DVI background" timing is "zero" whatever the number of cascaded modules.

To cascade four or more Avitech Rainier, perform the following steps:

NOTE: The steps outlined next would depend on the type of configuration you wish to set up.

Connect up to four BNC cables to the four Video Input 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 ports for HD / SD-SDI / composite video inputs.
 Or, connect one VGA / DVI cable to the DVI-I Input port for VGA / DVI video input (DVI-I Input port is not available for the Rainier-4a / 4d / 4U models).



2. The modules are differentiated by using a rotary **ID** switch on the rear panel. The Master (first) module in a Group should be set to **0**. The next module should be set to **1**, and so on, up to **15** (increase in increments of 1 for every module added to the Group). The modules will be seen and controlled as **ID:1**, **ID:2**, etc, in the Galaxy software.



3. To display video overlay from each module, all units must be connected to each other via male-to-male short DVI cascading cable.

Take a DVI cascading cable and connect one end to the **DVI-I Output** port on the Master (first) module (N), and the other end to the **DVI-I Input** port of the next module in the chain (N+1).

Take another DVI cascading cable and connect one end to the **DVI-I Output** port on the second module (N+1), and the other end to the **DVI-I Input** port of the next module in the chain (N+1+1).

Take another DVI cascading cable and connect one end to the **DVI-I Output** port on the third module (N+1+1), and the other end to the **DVI-I Input** port of the last module in the chain (N+1+1+1).

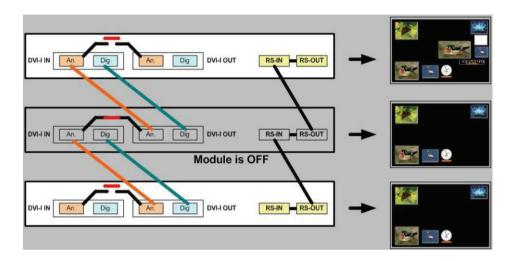


**NOTE:** The analog part of the **DVI-I Input** port is bypassed (relays) in case the module has no power or is defective. A powered down or a defective unit in the chain will not compromise the whole system, other modules in the chain will not be inhibited to display properly.

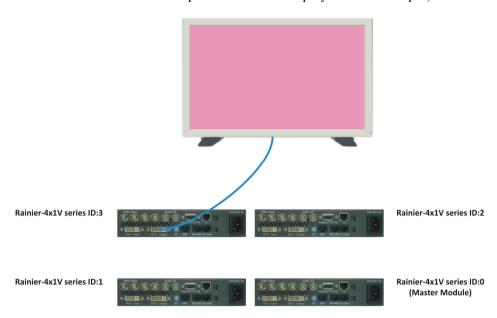
4. Module interface is cascaded through RJ-45 (RS-485) which is used to loop communication from one module to the next. The data stream carries control and configuration information. Take the RS-485 cascading cable and connect one end to the **RS-485 (out)** of the Master (first) module (N) and the other end to **RS-485 (in)** of the next module up (N+1).



**NOTE:** Control cascade (RS-485) is "passive," and will pass-through modules that are not powered or defective. A powered down (middle module on the next figure) or a defective unit in the chain will not compromise the whole system, other modules in the chain will not be inhibited to display properly.

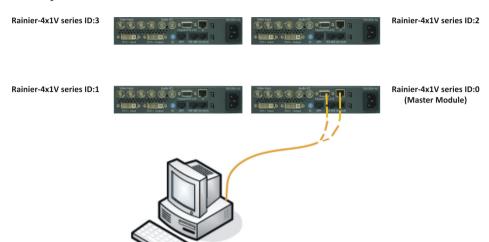


5. The output from **DVI-I Output** port on the last module cascaded should go to the group output monitor display via single-link DVI-D cable (you may need to use a DVI to VGA adapter for monitor display with VGA input).

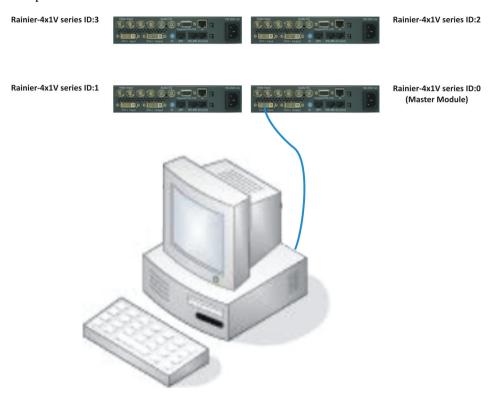


6. Connect a DB9 straight-through serial cable from the PC to the Master module's **RS-232** port.

Or, connect a straight-through or a cross-over RJ-45 cable from the PC to the **IP** port on the Master module.



onfiguration PC / Controller 7. If the computer application uses multimedia input, connect one end of the DVI cable to the computer's DVI port and the other end to the **DVI-I Input** port of the Master module.



8. Connect the power cables to the Rainier(s) and make sure that power is available.



# 1.6 Using the Galaxy Configuration Software

The Galaxy configuration software is designed for all Avitech Multiviewer modules. This program requires no installation, and should not be run from a "read-only" device, such as an optical disc. This section introduces the Galaxy software for setting up your system.

NOTE: Make sure the Rainier-4U series is powered on and connected properly to your computer (see previous section) before launching the Galaxy software.

### **Connection Methods**

There are two ways your Rainier-4U series can connect to the controlling computer:

- Use the network cable (IP address) to connect (refer to the next section "Setting Up Static IP").
- Use the serial cable to connect (refer to a later section "Setting Up COM Port").

## Setting Up Static IP

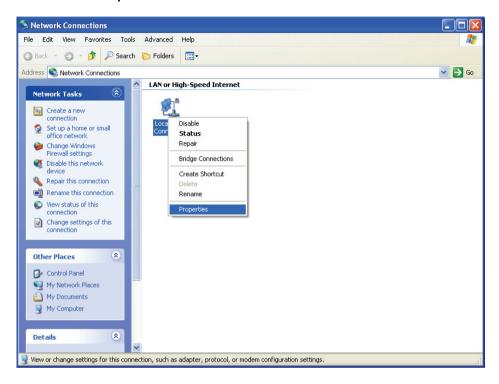
Before connecting the computers / controllers network to the Rainier-4U series modules, computers with DHCP LAN connection will need to be changed to static IP, similar range as the Avitech Rainier-4U series modules (e.g., 210.100.151 – factory-default setting). Or, change the IP address of the Rainier-4U series Master module, similar range as the controlling computer.

### Method 1: Change the IP Address of the Controlling Computer

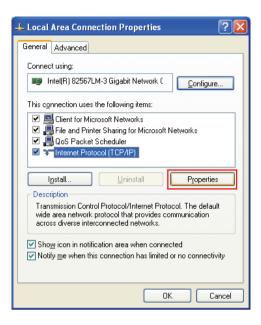
1. On your computer, click **Start**, and then right-click the mouse on **My Network Places**, and click **Properties**.



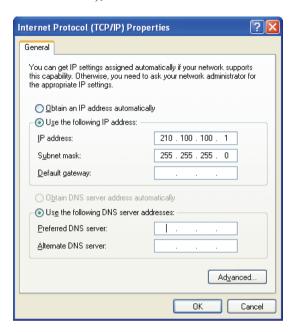
2. When the next screen appears, right-click the **Local Area Connection** icon, and click **Properties**.



3. When the next screen appears, click to highlight Internet Protocol (TCP/IP), and click Properties.



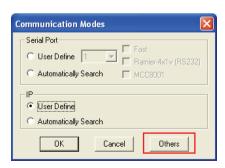
4. When the next screen appears, click the radio button to select **Use the following IP address:**, and then enter the **IP address:**  $210 \cdot 100 \cdot 100 \cdot x$  (where x is any value from 1 - 254), and **Subnet mask:**  $255 \cdot 255 \cdot 255 \cdot 0$ .



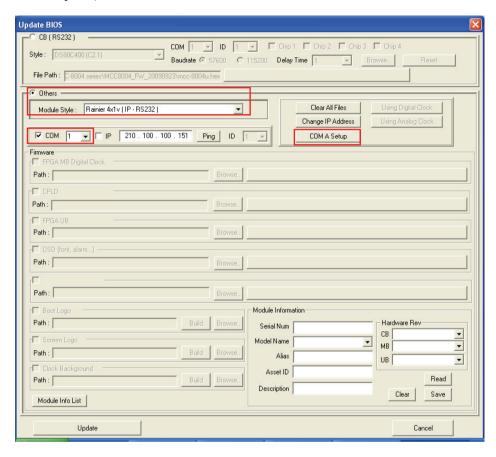
5 Click **OK** to exit

### Method 2: Change the IP Address of the Rainier Series Master Module

 Run the Galaxy software by double-clicking the "Galaxy-V311.exe" file (located in the included utility disc). When the following screen appears, click **Others**.



When the following screen appears, click to select the Others radio button, and on the Module Style drop-down menu, select Rainier-4x1V (IP – RS232).
Then, select COM 1 (must be the same as the COM port setting of your computer).



3. Click **Change IP Address**. When the following screen appears, enter the new **IP address**, **Subnet mask**, and **Gateway**, to match the value of the controlling computer. Then, click **OK**.



4. Click **Update** on the lower left portion of the **Update BIOS** window to exit.

# Pinging the Rainier-4U Series Module

If you decide to use the network cable to connect, make sure you can ping the module at 210.100.151 (factory-default IP address), by performing the following steps:

 Click Start→All Programs→Accessories→Command Prompt. The following screen appears.

```
C:\Documents and Settings\Admin>_
```

2. Type "ping 210.100.100.151" and the following screen appear to signify a successful communication.

```
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\Admin\ping 210.100.100.151

Pinging 210.100.100.151 with 32 bytes of data:

Reply from 210.100.100.151: bytes=32 time=4ms TTL=255

Reply from 210.100.151: bytes=32 time=2ms TTL=255

Reply from 210.100.101.51: bytes=32 time=2ms TTL=255

Reply from 210.100.101.51: bytes=32 time=3ms TTL=255

Ping statistics for 210.100.100.151:

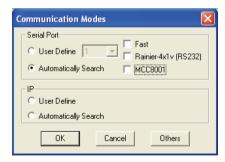
Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),

Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:

Minimum = 1ms, Maximum = 4ms, Average = 2ms

C:\Documents and Settings\Admin\
```

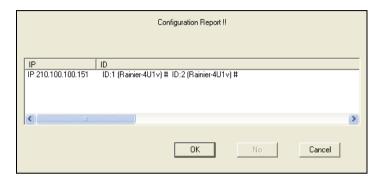
- 3. Type "exit" to exit the **Command Prompt** screen.
- Run the Galaxy software by double-clicking the "Galaxy-V311.exe" file.
   When the following screen appears, under Serial Port select Automatically
   Search. Or, under IP select User Define if you know the IP address assigned to your Rainier.



5. Click **OK** and your computer would start to search for your Rainier.

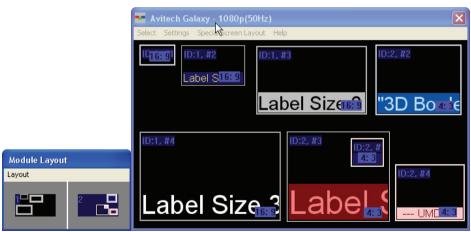
### **IMPORTANT:**

- If you have two or more modules cascaded, they should also be detected.
- Make sure that the slave module's baud rate and resolution is the same as the master module's (refer to a later section for details).
- 6. Upon finding your device, the following screen will appear to confirm connection to your Rainier.



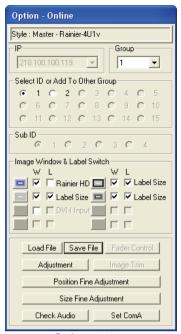
IMPORTANT: Make sure the cascaded modules have different rotary ID settings (e.g., 1 – 2 – 3) on their rear panels.

7. Click **OK** and the following screens will appear: **Module Layout** window, **Galaxy** control window, and **Option** window.



**Module Layout** 

Galaxy control window



**Option** window

- Module Layout window contains the bird's eye view of the module layout belonging to each ID in the system. In this example, the left window displays the layout belonging to ID:1 on the Galaxy control window; while the right window displays the layout belonging to ID:2.
- Galaxy control window is for creating and configuring the layout.

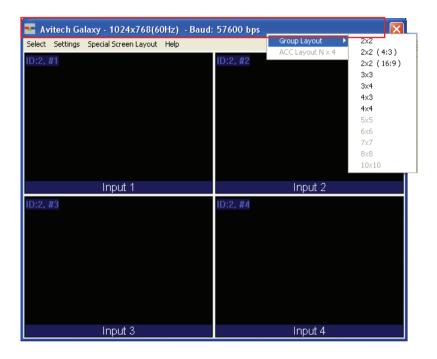
NOTE: When entering the Galaxy software for the first time, the layout for ID: 1 may be covered by ID: 2.

On the title bar portion can be found the following items:

- Logo icon Avitech Galaxy: proprietary logo and the name of the software.
- **1080p (50Hz)**: shows the current output resolution and frequency.
- Option window is for group and window / label setup; save / load file; monitor audio; adjust image; window size / position; and COM port setting.

8. Right-click the mouse on the title bar to access the **Group Layout** menu. Select from **2**×**2** up to **10**×**10** as possible grid positions on the monitor display.

NOTE: The layout size available for your particular model will depend on the monitor display's resolution as well as the smallest window size limitation.



# **Module Layout Window**

# Layout Menu



Select from  $2\times 2$  up to  $10\times 10$  (left to right or top to bottom) as possible grid positions on the **Module Layout** window.

# **Galaxy Control Window**

#### Select Menu



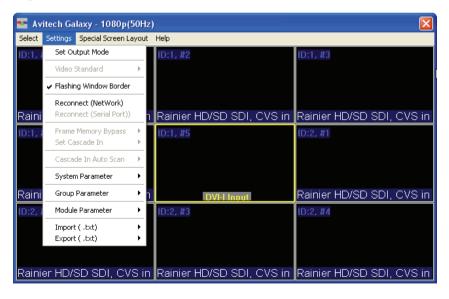
### **Open Option Menu**

This toggles the **Option** window display on / off.

# **Dock Option Menu**

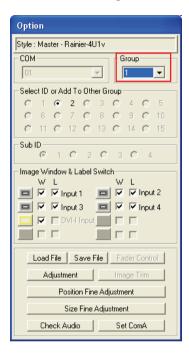
This returns the **Option** window display to its default position on the right side of the Galaxy control window. This option is not available (grayed-out) if the previous item **Open Option Menu** is disabled.

# Settings Menu

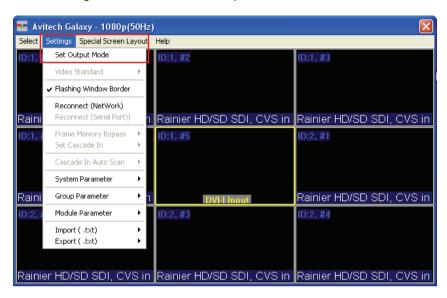


### **Change Output Resolution**

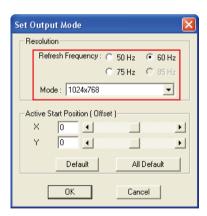
Changing the output resolution affects all the modules in the selected group. If you have more than one group, make sure you select the correct **Group** on the drop-down menu. The Rainier's default output resolution is  $1024 \times 768 / 60$  Hz.



1. Click Settings, and then click Set Output Mode.

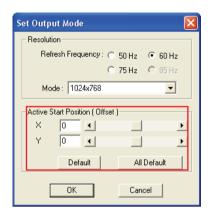


2. When the following screen appears, set the output resolution to match the monitor display's. Select the **Refresh Frequency**, select the **Mode** from the drop-down menu, and then click **OK**. You will notice that the selected resolution is displayed on the title bar of your Galaxy software.



#### **Active Start Position (Offset)**

When the monitor display or recording device do not use the proper "display timing" when obtaining the video signal from the Rainier's **DVI-Output** port, this may cause the displayed image on the monitor to misalign. Use the **Active Start Position (Offset)** function to allow the image to display properly within the monitor.



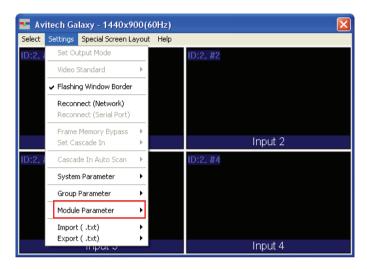
#### NOTE:

- In order to be able to adjust the Active Start Position (Offset) X and Y position, the Resolution's Refresh Frequency and Mode setting must be the same as the monitor display or recording device. Otherwise, it will be grayed-out (not adjustable).
- Upon setting the Resolution's Refresh Frequency and Mode values, the option may
  then be closed. Press OK to allow the new settings to take effect, and then enter
  Settings -> Set Output Mode again to use the slider to adjust the Active Start Position
  (Offset) X and Y position.
- Upon clicking the All Default button, all the modules on this particular group will revert the Active Start Position (Offset) X and Y position setting to the default value.

### For Quad-Splitter Models (Rainier-4a / 4d / 4U)

By default, the Rainier-4a / 4d (up to  $1440 \times 900$  only) / 4U (up to  $1920 \times 1200$ ) will automatically detect the optimum display resolution. To disable this feature, perform the following steps:

1. Click Settings, then Module Parameter.



2 Click Auto Parameter



3. Click to unselect (remove the checkmark) the **Detect Display Resolution** option.

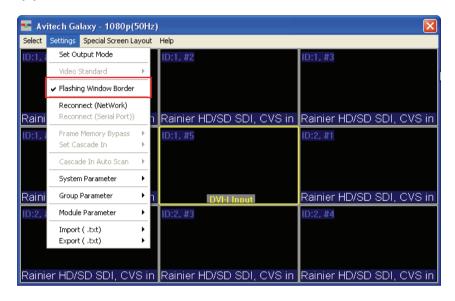


**NOTE:** When the **Detect Display Resolution** option is selected (with checkmark), all the presets will be displayed in the optimum resolution.

When the **Detect Display Resolution** option is unselected (without checkmark) and you have set the desired resolution using the **Set Output Mode** option, all the presets will be displayed in the desired resolution that you have set.

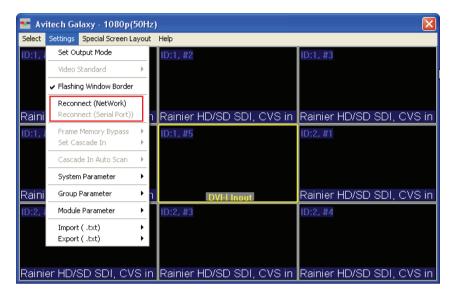
### **Flashing Window Border**

When the **Flashing Window Border** option is enabled (with checkmark), the border of the window where the mouse cursor just resided will blink twice to notify you of its location.



### Reconnect (Network) / (Serial Port)

When you have unplugged the IP cable and re-connected it, click **Reconnect** (Network) to continue the configuration process. Or, when using the serial cable, click **Reconnect** (Serial Port) instead.



# **System Parameter**

The following setup affects all the modules of all the groups. Upon clicking **System Parameter**, the menu appears as shown below.



# **Group Parameter**

The following setup affects all the modules in the selected group only. Upon clicking **Group Parameter**, the menu appears as shown below.



#### **Module Parameter**

The following setup affects the selected module only. Upon clicking **Module Parameter**, the menu appears as shown below.



#### **Exporting / Importing Label**

This feature allows you to export the label to either Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Excel or a text file that can be edited externally. You can also export the BIOS version to a text file. To export / import label, perform the following steps:

1. Export the file to **XLS** or **TXT** format to view the file structure.



2. Edit the text in the file starting with Group 1, Module 1.

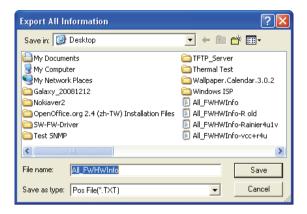
```
Rainier Label - Notepad

File Edit Format View Help

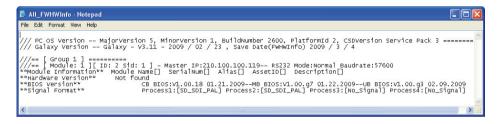
///== [ Group 1 ] ========
///== [ Module: 1 ][ COMPORT: 1 ][ ID: 2 ] - Rainier-4ulv
Input 1
Input 2
Input 3
Input 4
```

3. When you are done entering labels, save the file and then import it using the Galaxy software. The onscreen labels will automatically be updated.

4. To export all firmware / hardware information to a text file, click **Export (.txt)** and assign a filename when the next screen appears.



5. Click **Save**. The next screen shows the text file opened using **Notepad**.



# **System Parameter**

The following are the items appearing on **System Parameter**.

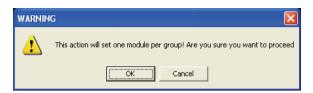
# **Return Group Index to Default**

This allows you to return all groups to their default setting, as well as combine all modules into one group. Click **OK** when the next screen appears to complete the configuration change.



#### **One Module Per Group**

By default, the Galaxy software will combine all available modules into one large group. To quickly divide modules into different groups, each module can be treated as a group. For example, if cascading four modules, it will divide into four groups. When the next screen appears, click **OK** to finalize the changes.



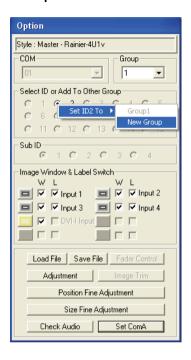
The configuration progress will be shown on the screen.



NOTE: This feature is oftentimes used on Quad-splitter models (Rainier-4a / 4d / 4U). Upon selecting this feature, the Group sequence starts from the lowest-level ID number. When any window is set to full screen, that window will revert back to the layout prior to full screen mode. After dividing into Group(s), the entire module's preset file will be cleared and the latest system.agi (new configuration file), module.sys, and software.ini will be written into flash memory.

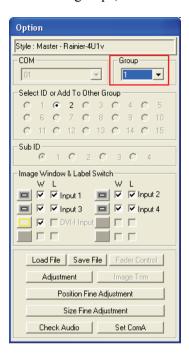
An alternative method to create a new group is:

1. Right-click the mouse on the module you wish to add to the new group. Then click **Set ID# to→New Group**.



2. Repeat for all additional modules (you can either add additional modules to the new group or create additional groups).

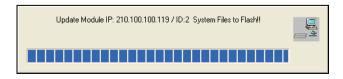
3. To switch between the different groups, use the **Group** drop-down menu.



4. Exit the Galaxy software and select **Yes** when prompted to save to flash memory

# Save System Files to Flash

This allows you to save all configuration settings to flash memory. If the system configuration has been changed, save the changes first before continuing the other configuration settings. The progress of saving to flash memory will be displayed.



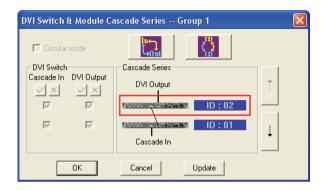
# Turning On / Off All Meters / Labels / TSL

To turn on / off all audio meters / labels / TSL for all the modules, regardless of the group it belongs to, click **ON** / **OFF**.



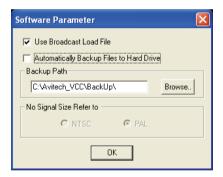
#### Module Cascade Series

The **DVI Switch** function is not available for your Rainier. Use the **Cascade Series** function to change the ID number designation only; this will not affect the actual physical connection of the Rainier.



#### **Advanced**

Upon clicking **Advanced**, the following screen appears:



#### Use Broadcast Load File

For loading presets / switching resolution / group reset. When this option is enabled (with checkmark), the Galaxy software will broadcast the command to every module, allowing for simultaneous execution of the command.

NOTE: This feature should always be enabled.

#### Automatically Backup Files to Hard Drive

By default, the Galaxy software will save all backup files to the C:\Avitech\_VCC\BackUp\ folder. You may change this by clicking Browse to select a different location to save the backup information.

#### No Signal Size Refer to

When the window is unable to detect a signal, this will serve as the basis for the Galaxy software to adjust the window size. **NTSC**: maximum window size is 816×465 **PAL**: maximum window size is 816×560

### **Clear Tally Status**

When running tally via RS-232, use this function in the Galaxy software to close it. Alternatively, use the ASCII Z command to close tally via RS-232.

#### **Setup Module to Speaker ID**

Set up the speaker to monitor the audio source.



### **Group Parameter**

The following are the items appearing on **Group Parameter**.

### **Group Reset**

This allows you to refresh all modules belonging to the same group.

#### Meter

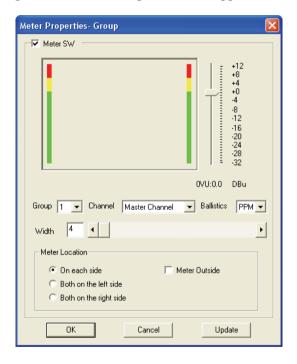
There are two hierarchies for setting the **Meter** properties. One can affect the entire group, while the other affects a single window.

#### For an Entire Group

To change the audio meter properties for an entire group, perform the following steps:

NOTE: Make sure to turn on all audio meters (see previous section) before setting the audio meter properties.

1. Upon clicking **Meter**, the following screen will appear:

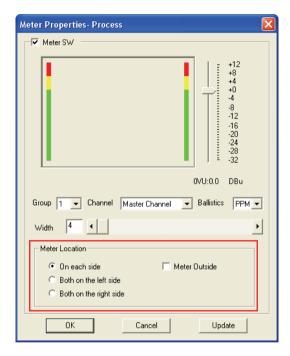


The Rainier is capable of displaying embedded audio as VU meters inside the video window. Embedded audio is divided into four groups, with a master and secondary channel for each group. This allows you to display the left and right VU meter of either the master or secondary channel on the left and right side of the window just as the menu depicts.

2. Change the group or channel by selecting it from the **Group** (1-4) and **Channel** (Master / Secondary) drop-down menu.

NOTE: When there is no audio detected, you will NOT see any VU meters.

3. By default, the meter will display on each side of the window. You may change the preferred meter location.



# To change the location:

- Click on the radio button to select either On each side, Both on the left side, or Both on the right side.
- Click the **Meter Outside** checkbox if you desire for the meter to appear outside the image (by default the meter will appear on top of the image).

#### For an Individual Window

To change the audio meter properties for a single window, use the mouse to right-click on a window, and then click **Set Meter**.



#### Label

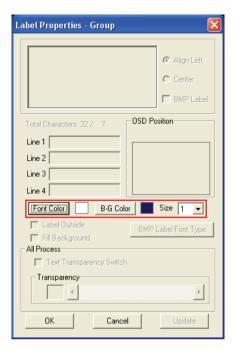
There are two hierarchies for setting the **Label** properties. One can affect the entire group, while the other affects a single window.

### For an Entire Group

To set the label properties, perform the following steps:

NOTE: Make sure to turn on all labels (see previous section) before setting the label properties.

Select Settings > Group Parameter > Label to adjust the Font Color, B-G (background) Color, and font Size for all labels in the group.



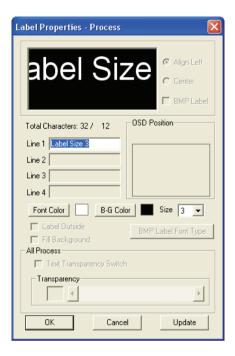
#### For an Individual Window

1. Right-click the mouse on a window and select **Label** to enter text.

NOTE: DVI input does not display a label.



2. Keep in mind that each window supports one line of text (up to 32 characters).



- **BMP Label**: allows you to activate the Universal fonts for labels by performing the following steps:
  - 1. Click to enable the **BMP Label** checkbox (with checkmark).
  - 2. Click the **BMP Label Font Type** button.
  - 3. When the Font window appears, set the **Font**, **Font style**, and **Size**. Then click **OK**.
  - 4. On the **Line 1** window enter a label in the desired language by first selecting the language on the Windows taskbar.



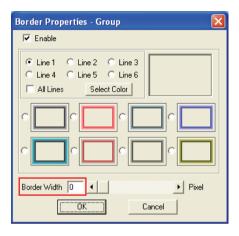
5. Repeat the above steps for all the other windows.

## **Setting Border Properties**

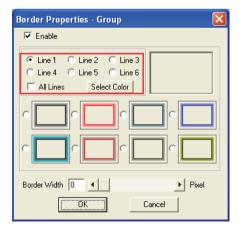
Borders are turned on by default. To turn off the border perform the following steps:

#### For an Entire Group

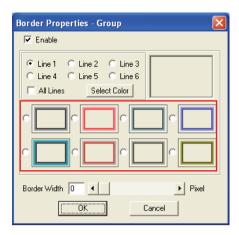
1. Select Settings→Group Parameter→Border, and then change the Border Width to 0.



- 2. You can also change the border color.
  - Each pixel / line can have a different color



#### • 3D border



### For an Individual Window

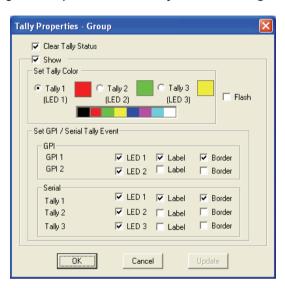
To change the border properties for an individual window, right-click the mouse on the window and select **Set Border**, then select the desired color and size.

NOTE: DVI input does not display a border.

### **Activating Tally**

The GPI terminal block allows for a total of eight inputs to activate tally, two per window. You can also use the serial port with ASCII, TSI, or TSL to activate tally. To change the appearance of tally, perform the following steps:

1. Select **Settings→Group Parameter→Tally**. The following window appears:

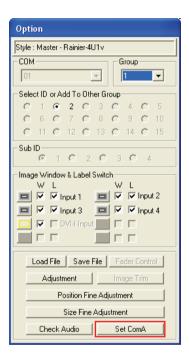


2. The settings that can be adjusted include **Tally Color**, **LED**, **Label**, **Border**, and **Flash**.

### **Setting COM Port**

This allows you to configure the serial port of the module with PC for configuration and control. There are two methods for setting COM port. To set the COM port, perform the following steps (by default, the COM port is set to normal and baud rate set to 57600 bps):

 Click Settings→Group Parameter→COM A. Or in the Option window, click Set COM A.



2. The following screen appears.

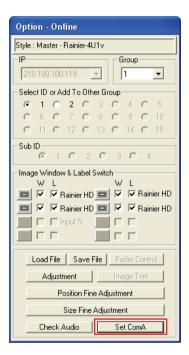


- 3. Select the **Setting COM A** option (if applicable).
- 4. Set the **Baud Rate**.
- 5. Select the **Mode**.
  - Normal for use with ASCII or TSI.
  - TSL for use with the TSL protocol. The initialization process is different, so the same TSL protocol for other Avitech products may not function correctly with the Rainier without additional changes.
  - Load File for use with the SCP (Simplified Control Panel) keypad.
- 6. After setting COM A, you will be prompted to close the Galaxy software and power cycle (shutdown and restart) the module.

#### **TSL**

The Rainier includes one RS-485 / RS-232 port that is used for connecting to a PC for configuration control, and connecting to TSL controller. One TSL port of the TSL controller is needed for connecting to the first module of each group. To setup the configuration, perform the following steps:

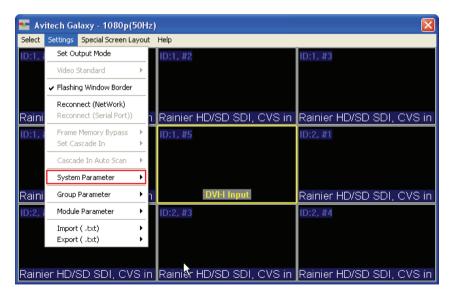
1. In the Option menu click Set COM A.



2. Set the **Mode** to **TSL**. The **Baud Rate** will automatically adjust to **38400 bps** (according to TSL specifications).



- 3. Save and exit the Galaxy software this can also be done once all the parameters have been configured.
- 4. By default, all windows are enabled for the TSL protocol. This can be changed for an individual window, on a group basis, or at the system level by clicking Settings→System Parameter.



5. Click All TSL, and then select ON / OFF.

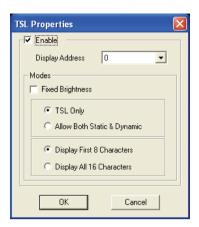


#### For an Individual Window

1. Right-click on a window, then click **TSL**.



2. Ensure that **Enable** is selected (with checkmark). If it is unchecked, only static labels will be displayed.



3. Specify the **Display Address** (ranges from **0** to **126**). The address should match the TSL controller configured address corresponding to the router output feeding the corresponding Avitech input.

NOTE: Use the mouse to right-click each individual window to set the TSL Display Address.

- 4. If you want to display dynamic labels, click the radio button to select **TSL Only**. If you want to display both the static and dynamic labels, click the radio button to select **Allow Both Static & Dynamic**.
- 5. To display 8 or 16 dynamic characters (if the TSL implementation allows it), click the radio button to select the corresponding options.
- 6. This concludes the TSL setup on the group level. Perform the same steps for each individual window.

**NOTE:** When dynamic labels are displayed, bitmap fonts cannot be used for displaying static and / or dynamic labels.

#### **Aspect Auto Detect**

This allows you to turn on / off automatic detection of the input signal's aspect ratio. For HD-SDI input signal, the aspect ratio will be 16:9; for SD-SDI / composite, the aspect ratio default setting is 4:3.



### **Output Timing**

There are two output timings namely **Normal** and **VESA**. **Normal** output timing is designed for some brands of monitor display that do not support the **VESA** standard. The default setting for output timing is **Normal**.



#### Window Size

There are three sizes that can display all the windows in a group: **4:3**, **16:9**, or **Lock Aspect Ratio**.

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Set Aspect Ratio (4:3)
Set Aspect Ratio (16:9)
Lock Aspect Ratio ▶
```

When changing the width of the window, the height will automatically adjust to match the aspect ratio.



### **Frame Memory Status**

This allows the image from DVI cascade input not to pass through the image scaling processor DDR for processing. Rather, it will bypass to the display output port. This will lessen the occurrence of frame delay when multiple Rainier is cascaded. No special setting is required as the firmware can automatically detect and perform the frame memory bypass function.



IMPORTANT: Make sure when making the hardware connections that the module ID must be set at 0 and the DVI-I Input must be used to connect other than the Rainier's DVI Output signal. This means that the sequence of connection must be as follows: PC DVI Output→ID 0 DVI-I Input, ID 0 DVI-I Output→ID 1 DVI-I Input, ID 1 DVI-I Output→ID 2 DVI-I Input, ID 2 DVI-I Output→ID 3 DVI-I Input, ID 3 DVI-I Output→monitor display.

# **Set Default Layout**

When you have multiple units cascaded together, you can quickly show all the windows by selecting **Settings Group Parameter Set Default Layout**.

#### **Module Parameter**

The following are the items appearing on **Module Parameter**.

#### **IP Address**

This allows you to change to an IP address different from the default one.



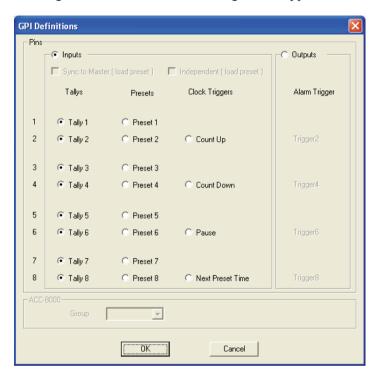
#### **Auto Parameter**

Refer to a previous section For Quad-Splitter Models (Rainier-4a / 4d / 4U) for details.

#### **GPI Definitions**

Users can set the preset time (1-8), for count up or down, which can be recalled using GPIO. To assign the definition of each GPI, perform the following steps:

1. Upon clicking **GPI Definitions**, the following screen appears:



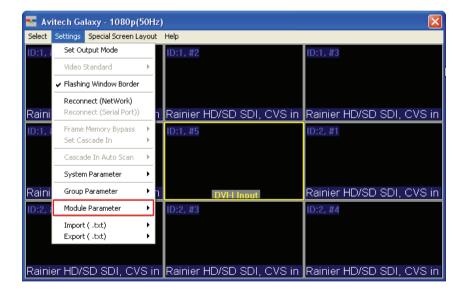
2. After you have finished assigning tasks to each GPI, click **OK** to finalize the changes.

#### NOTE:

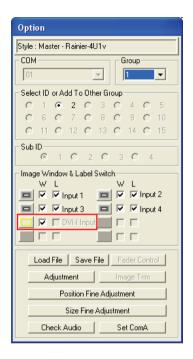
- The RJ-50-to-GPI terminal block adapter has eight positions that can each be used for setting tally and loading presets.
- By default, the terminal block is used to turn on / off the tally for each window:
  - Position 1 + GND = turns on main tally for window 1.
  - Position 2 + GND = turns on secondary tally for window 1.
  - Position 3 + GND = turns on main tally for window 2.
  - Position 4 + GND = turns on secondary tally for window 2.
  - Position 5 + GND = turns on main tally for window 3.
  - Position 6 + GND = turns on secondary tally for window 3.
  - Position 7 + GND = turns on main tally for window 4.
  - Position 8 + GND = turns on secondary tally for window 4.

#### Rainier Cascade In Mode

By default, the DVI input on the Rainier fills the entire screen behind the video windows (Cascade In mode). To enable the DVI input as a scaleable window, select **Module Parameter**, and then uncheck the option **Rainier Cascade In mode** to unselect it.



NOTE: If you have multiple modules cascade in a single group, do this only for the first unit (ID0). The **DVI-I Input** will be a yellow window that will appear in the **Option** window.



#### **VGA Auto Setting**

When using a VGA signal with the **DVI-I Input** on the Rainier, there will be times when the image is not aligned in the window or the color is off, the **VGA Auto Setting** feature was designed to overcome these issues.

Click Settings → Module Parameter → VGA Auto Setting, and then select Auto Image Adjustment to align the VGA image inside the window or Auto Gain to correct the color values.

NOTE: Some VGA-to-DVI cables may not work with the **DVI-I Input / DVI-I Output** ports of the Rainier, use the proprietary VGA-to-DVI adapter instead.

#### **Line Lock**

This feature was designed for the PELCO video camera # CCC1380UH-6 and it only supports the composite (PAL / NTSC) video source. **Process 1 – 4** is equivalent to windows 1-4.



#### **Frame Memory Status**

1. Click to select Frame Memory Status.



2. The following menu appears. This allows the image from DVI cascade input not to pass through the image scaling processor DDR for processing. Rather, it will bypass to the display output port. This will lessen the occurrence of frame delay when multiple Rainier is cascaded. No special setting is required as the firmware can automatically detect and perform the frame memory bypass function.



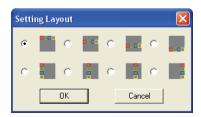
IMPORTANT: Make sure when making the hardware connections that the module ID must be set at 0 and the DVI-I Input must be used to connect other than the Rainier's DVI Output signal. This means that the sequence of connection must be as follows: PC DVI Output→ID 0 DVI-I Input, ID 0 DVI-I Output→ID 1 DVI-I Input, ID 1 DVI-I Output→ID 2 DVI-I Input, ID 2 DVI-I Output→ID 3 DVI-I Input, ID 3 DVI-I Output→monitor display.

#### Special Screen Layout

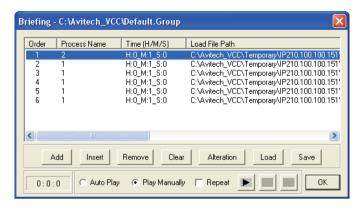
Some special screen layouts are available for the Rainier (layouts that are grayed-out signify non-availability for your particular configuration):



- Layout 1 (Default 2×2) quad split mode
- Layout 2 (Default Others) rows or columns of four windows



• Layout 6 (Briefing) – cycle between presets for a slideshow effect



#### Help Menu



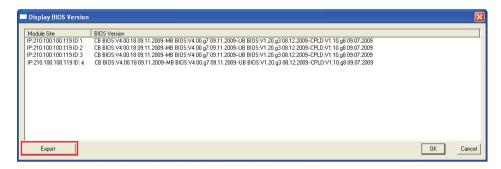
#### **Read BIOS Version**

To find out the Avitech Rainier module firmware version, perform the following steps:

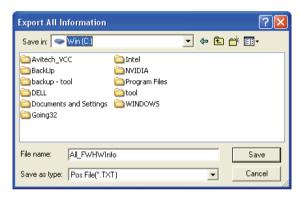
1. Click Help, and then click Read BIOS Version.



2. Click Export.



3. Assign a filename and click **Save** to save the data.



#### **Update Signal Type / Format**

To update Signal type / format, perform the following steps:

1. Click Help, and then click Update Signal Type / Format.



2. The next screen shows the entire image's signal type / format.



#### **Backing Up Presets**

To backup a preset, perform the following steps:

1. Click Help, and then click Backup All Information.



2. The following warning message appears, click **OK** to continue.



3. The following warning message appears when back-up is successful, click **OK** to continue.



This will backup all saved presets and system configuration files to c:\Avitech VCC\Backup\XXXX# #

WARNING: Everything in the **Backup** folder will be erased. If you have previously backed up presets, they will all be written over when you backup presets again. If you want to keep the old presets, move the entire **Backup** folder to a temporary directory (e.g., c:\temp).

This will create the following directories:

- -c:Avitech VCC\Backup\
- -c:Avitech VCC\Temporary

#### **Restoring Presets**

To manually restore a preset, perform the following steps:

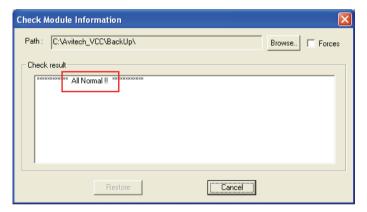
- 1. Set the Rainier to the factory-default value (refer to Chapter 4 Resetting to the Factory-Default State for details).
- 2. Make sure that the rotary **ID** of the Rainier being restored matches the old module (if the same module is not being restored), and that the form of communication is the same (IP or RS-232).
- If the backup content is somewhere else other than at the C:\Avitech\_VCC\Backup\IP or RS-232\xxxx#\_#, copy the backup data from xxxx#\_# into the C:\Avitech\_VCC\Backup\IP or RS-232\xxxx#\_# location.
- 4. Run the Galaxy software and select **Yes** when prompted whether to restore the module using the backup data.



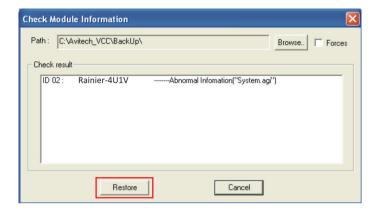
5. Click **Help**, and then click **Restore Module Information**. You should see a progress bar showing the preset being loaded into the Rainier.



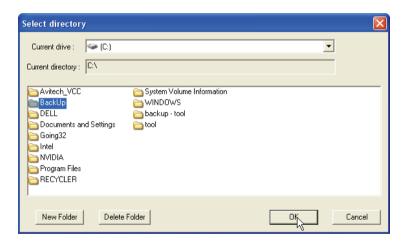
6. When the following screen appears, the checking result confirms that everything is normal. If that is the case, click **Cancel** to exit restoring of preset(s). You may skip steps 7 and 8.



If the checking results shows an **Abnormal** report, confirm if the backup **Path** is correct. Then click **Restore**.



If incorrect, click **Browse** to select the correct location. Then click **OK** to continue.



7. Click **OK** when the next screen appears to continue.



8. Click **OK** when the next screen appears to restart the Galaxy software.



#### **Read Galaxy Information**

1. Click **Help**, and then click **About**.



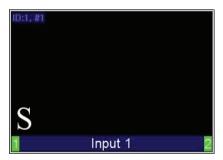
2. You should see a pop-up box showing the Galaxy software information.



# Quick Keys – Change Window to / from Full Screen Mode; Swap Window Contents

Two quick keys are available that allows you to quickly bring a window to / from full screen mode, as well as swap the contents from one window to another by performing the following steps:

- 1. To change to full screen mode, double-click the mouse on a window. Double-click again to return from full screen mode.
- 2. To access the swap window quick key, move your cursor to the bottom left hand corner of a window until a capital letter **S** appears.



3. Click on the capital letter **S** to select the source window and then click again at a destination window where you want to swap the contents from the source. This will swap all the contents and properties of the source window to the destination window.

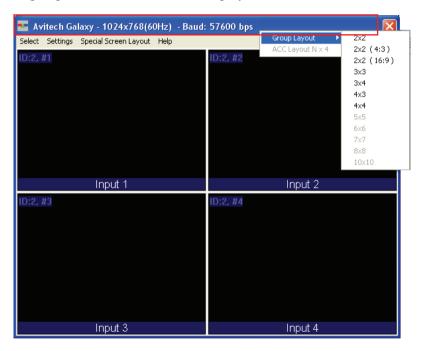
## Window Layout

### Setting the Default Layout (by Group)

When you have multiple units cascaded together, you can quickly show all the windows by selecting **Settings Group Parameter Set Default Layout**.

#### Arranging Windows (by Group)

To quickly setup the layout for your video windows, right-click the mouse on the title bar to access the **Group Layout** menu. Select from  $2\times2$  up to  $10\times10$  as possible grid positions on the monitor display.



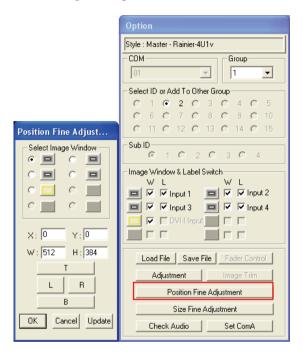
#### Repositioning an Individual Window

To reposition a window, perform the following steps:

1. Drag the center of a window and drop to a new position and it will update on the monitor display. Or,

## **Option Window**

2. Use the **Position Fine Adjustment** menu to adjust the position of any window on a pixel by pixel basis. Keep in mind that the width increases in 16 pixel increments and the height in 1 pixel increments.



## Mouse Right-click Menu

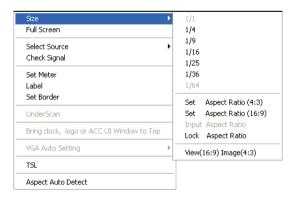
To change the properties of an individual window, right-click the mouse on the particular window to access the window's menu.



## **Resizing Window**

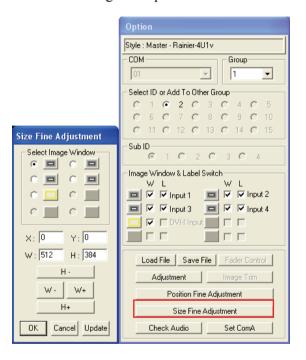
To resize a single window to one of the preset sizes, perform the following steps:

1. Right-click the mouse on a particular window and select **Size**, followed by the desired preset size selection. Or,



NOTE: This option is not available for the scaleable DVI input.

- 2. Resize a window by dragging the border of a window to the desired size. Keep in mind that there is a scaling limitation for each window that limits the maximum scaleable size to 816×465 pixels for NTSC video and 816×560 for PAL video.
- 3. Another option is to use the **Size Fine Adjustment** menu to adjust each window on a pixel by pixel basis. Keep in mind that the width increases in 16 pixel increments and the height in 1 pixel increments.



4. On a particular window select **Full Screen**, maximize the image to full screen.

#### Select Source

This allows you to copy the input signal source from one process window (e.g., Window 1) to another process window (e.g., Window 2), within the same module only. Window 2 will then display the same image as Window 1. Right-click the mouse on a particular window, then click **Select Source**. The following menu appears. The selected source has a checkmark.



### **Check Signal**

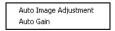
To determine if the video signal is being fed into the selected window, right-click the mouse on a particular window and click **Check Signal**. The following screen appears.



## VGA Auto Setting

When using a VGA signal with the **DVI-I Input** on the Rainier, there will be times when the image is not aligned in the window or the color is off, the **VGA Auto Setting** feature was designed to overcome these issues.

Right-click the mouse on the DVI-I Input window, click **VGA Auto Setting**, and then select **Auto Image Adjustment** to align the VGA image inside the window or **Auto Gain** to correct the color values.

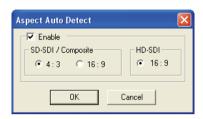


NOTE: Some VGA-to-DVI cables may not work with the **DVI-I Input / DVI-I Output** ports of the Rainier, use the proprietary VGA-to-DVI adapter instead.

#### **Aspect Auto Detect**

This allows you to set the input signal's aspect ratio for a particular window. If the input signal is of a different aspect ratio than the monitor in which it is displayed, you may change the monitor's aspect ratio to display the signal, without deformation.

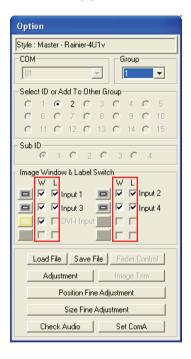
1. Click the mouse to select **Enable**, and then select the desired aspect ratio.



2. Then click **OK**. The available selection for HD-SDI is **16:9**; while for **SD-SDI** / **Composite** you can switch between **4:3** and **16:9**.

#### Turning On / Off the Window / Label

1. The **Option** window has two check boxes that can be used to close an image window (**W**) or turn off the label (**L**) for each window.



2. To turn off a window or label, find the checkbox that represents the selected window and check to enable or un-check to disable the **W**indow or **L**abel.

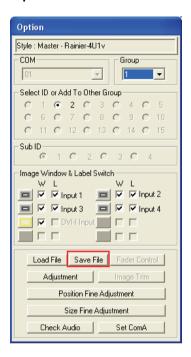
#### Saving to a Flash File

There are two instances that you will need to use the save to flash feature:

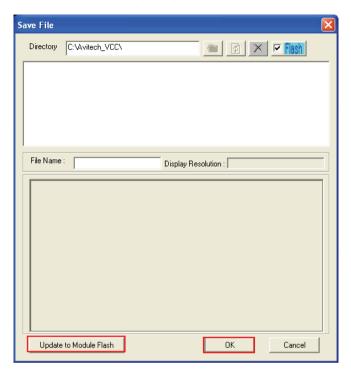
- After creating the master layout and you want the Rainier to load it again when the unit is power cycled (shutdown and restart).
- After you are done saving presets and you want to save all the presets that
  were created into the internal flash memory of the module. If this action is
  skipped, the module will lose all the presets that were created.

To save to flash, perform the following steps:

1. Click Save File in the Option window.



2. Click **Update to Module Flash**, and then click **OK**. Or, close the Galaxy software and select **Yes** when prompted to save.

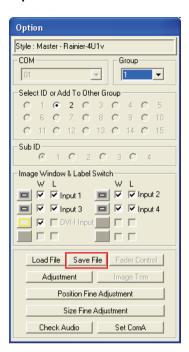


#### Saving a Preset

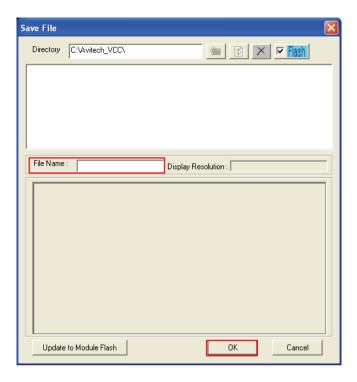
All the presets you create are stored in the Rainier and not in the computer that is running the Galaxy software. In order to write all the presets into the internal flash memory of the Rainier after creating it, you will need to save to flash. To save a preset, perform the following steps:

1. Configure the layout to how you want it to display.

2. Click **Save File** in the **Option** window.



3. When the next screen appears, enter a unique filename for the preset, and select **OK** to save.



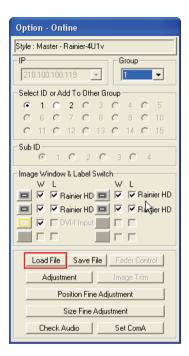
- When using a keypad, use the numbers 0 9 for your preset names.
- When using the GPI, use the numbers 1 8 for your preset names.

The file extension **GP#** will be automatically added to the file name.

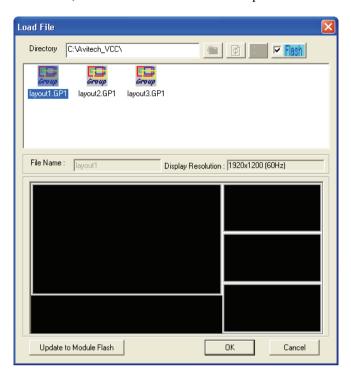
- 4. Repeat the above steps for each additional presets.
- 5. After you are done creating presets, load the file that you want to be the master layout, which gets loaded when the Rainier is powered on.
- 6. Close the Galaxy software and select **Yes** when prompted to save to flash.

## Loading File

1. In the **Option** menu, click **Load File**.

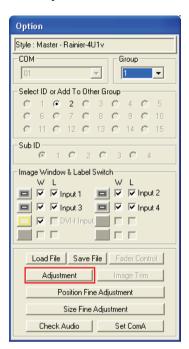


2. Select a saved file, and then click **OK** to load the preset.

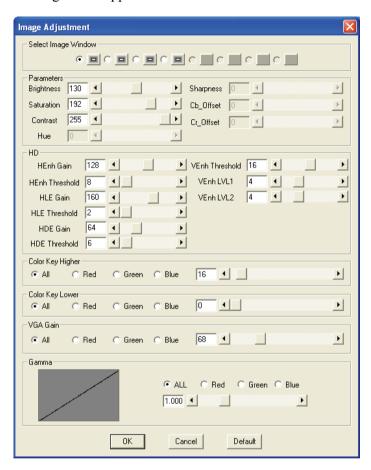


## **Making Adjustments**

1. In the Option menu, click Adjustment.



2. The following screen appears.

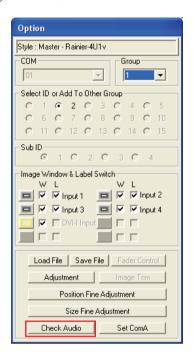


3. **Select** the **Image Window**, then you can adjust the input signal, such as **Brightness** (0 – 255), **Saturation** (0 – 127), **Contrast** (0 – 127), and **Hue** (–128 – 127) parameters directly by using the sliders or clicking the radio button. Click the **Default** button on the lower right portion of the screen to reset the values to the factory-default.

NOTE: The **Hue** parameter can only be adjusted when using composite video.

#### **Audio Monitor**

1. In the **Option** menu, click **Check Audio**.



2. When the following screen appears, click the audio **Check** option.



3.	Select the Source (Process $1-4$ ).

# 2

# **Simplified Control Panel**

Aside from using the Galaxy software, you can use the optional numerical Simplified Control Panel (SCP) keypad that allows you to quickly recall presets, without having to use a computer. This chapter familiarizes you with using the Simplified Control Panel to load up to ten presets, saved in the flash memory of the Rainier module

# 2.1 Using the Simplified Control Panel (Optional)

## Preparing the Rainier For Use With the SCP Keypad

To prepare the Rainier for use with the Simplified Control Panel, perform the following steps:

- 1. Create up to ten presets with filenames 0 9 (up to ten groups). Refer to the previous chapter on saving presets.
- 2. Click Settings→Group Parameter→COM A. When the next screen appears, select Load File on the Mode drop-down menu. Then click OK.



3. You will be prompted to shutdown the Galaxy software and save to flash.

4. Power off the Rainier by unplugging the power cord. Then, plug in the SCP keypad to the rear panel's **Keypad/RS-232** port.

NOTE: If you need to connect again using the Galaxy software, you must first disconnect the SCP keypad.

5. Connect the power cord back to the Rainier to power on.

## **Recalling Presets**

The Rainier COM port is automatically set to the following parameters:

- RS-232
- 8-bit data
- 1-stop
- No parity
- 9600 bps baud rate

To recall the presets, perform the following steps:

- 1. To login to the Simple Control Panel mode press **Enter**.
- 2. Use the Galaxy software's preset files saved in the Rainier flash memory.

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The preset filename format is: \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{GPY}
where \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{26}, this refers to preset \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{preset} \cdot \mathbf{26}
where \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{9}, this refers to group \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{group} \cdot \mathbf{9}
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3. Recall preset mode 1:

To recall the next preset file, press the + (plus) key. To recall the previous preset file, press the - (minus) key.

4. Recall preset mode 2:

To recall a specific preset file, press the two number keys. The first number signifies the Group number, the second number signifies the preset number. For example: pressing the **19** number keys would allow Rainier to recall the "**9.GP1**" preset file.

- 5. Recall preset mode 3 (supports recall of preset files 0 26): Example 1: pressing 1 (one) → . (point or period) → 1 (one) → Enter (total of four keys) would allow Rainier to recall the "1.GP1" file. Example 2: pressing 2 (two) → . (point or period) → 1 (one) → 7 (seven) → Enter (total of five keys) would allow Rainier to recall the "17.GP2" file.
  - Example 3: pressing 3 (three)  $\rightarrow$  . (point or period)  $\rightarrow$  2 (two)  $\rightarrow$  6 (six)  $\rightarrow$  Enter (total of five keys) would allow Rainier to recall the "26.GP3" file.
- 6. To save the Rainier's present configuration: press ★ (star or asterisk) → / (slash) → Enter (total of three keys). During this process (approximately five seconds), make sure that your Rainier has a stable and uninterrupted power supply.
- 7. When the DVI-I port has an analog VGA input, the Rainier can do automatic image adjustment by pressing the following three keys:
  - . (point or period)  $\rightarrow$  \* (star or asterisk)  $\rightarrow$  Enter.
- 8. When the DVI-I port has an analog VGA input, the Rainier can do automatic gain adjustment by pressing the following three keys:
  - . (point or period)  $\rightarrow$  / (slash)  $\rightarrow$  Enter.
- 9. To logout from the Simple Control Panel mode, unplug the SCP keypad from the rear panel's **Keypad/RS-232** port.

# 3

# **Avitech ASCII Protocol**

The Rainier supports the ASCII command prompt interface. You can use HyperTerminal to control your Rainier. The serial port (**Keypad/RS-232**) on the Rainier can also be used to interface with a third-party controller for control over RS-232. This chapter familiarizes you with using the Avitech ASCII Protocol (AAP) of the Rainier via Microsoft® Windows® HyperTerminal function as an example.

# 3.1 Setting the RS-232 Port

Before using the ASCII Z command interface, make sure that the COM A (RS-232) port on the Rainier is set at Normal (8-bit data, 1 stop bit, no parity, and no flow control). The default baud rate is 57600 bps. To correctly use the ASCII Z commands, use the Galaxy software's default Group and Module number for the Rainier

#### NOTE:

- To set COM A to Normal, click Settings → Group Parameter → COM A. When the
  next screen appears, select Normal on the Mode drop-down menu. Then click OK.
- Disconnect the SCP keypad if that is connected.



# 3.2 Setting the HyperTerminal's COM Port

To set the HyperTerminal's COM Port, perform the following steps:

- 1. Click Start→All Programs→Accessories→Communications→
  HyperTerminal to startup the Windows HyperTerminal function.
- 2. Set the HyperTerminal's COM port to the following settings (same as RS-232 port setting):

Baud Rate: 57600

Data Bits: 8

Parity: None

Stop Bits: 1

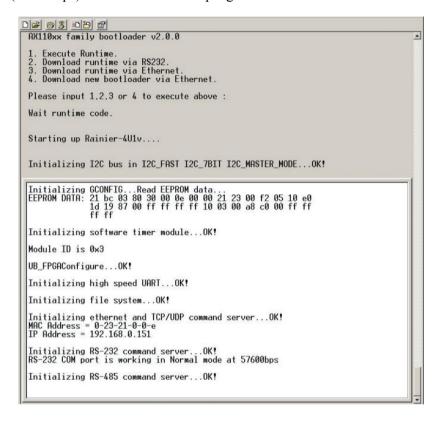
Flow Control: None

# 3.3 Entering the ASCII Z Command Interface

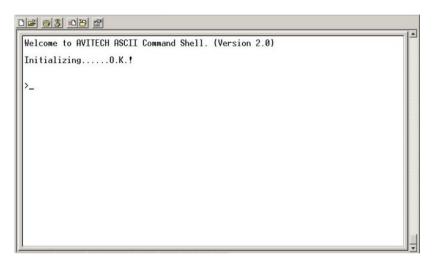
To startup the ASCII Z command interface, perform the following steps:

1. Connect the HyperTerminal's COM port (PC) to the Rainier's RS-232 port, and make sure that power supply is available.

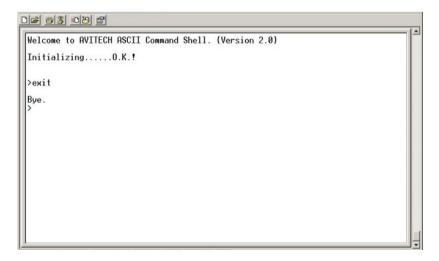
2. Connect the power cord to the Rainier so that it will use the default baud rate (57600 bps) to transmit the startup signal.



3. Press **Enter** to login to the ASCII Z command interface. When the HyperTerminal's command prompt ">" symbol appears, you can start entering ASCII Z commands.



4. To logout of the ASCII Z command interface, type exit and press Enter.



## 3.4 ASCII Z Command Format

The ASCII Z command is comprised of the following parts:

Header	Group/Module/Window Assignment	Parameter 1	Parameter 2	
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The following is a list of rules to follow when entering the ASCII Z command:

- It is acceptable to enter commands in small or capital letters, and the five columns are separated by a space.
- **Header** = z + command character
- Group/Module/Window Assignment (GGMMPP) = is comprised of six Arabic numerals. This is used in designating the device's Group/Module/Window assignment.

**Group** = is comprised of the first two numbers (01 - 99), 00 is used to pertain to all groups.

**Module** = is comprised of the middle two numbers (01 - 15), 00 is used to pertain to all modules.

Window Assignment = is comprised of the last two numbers (01 - 04), 00 is used to pertain to all window assignments.

- Parameter 1 of color assignment (RRRGGGBBB) = is comprised of nine Arabic numerals, this is used in designating the color.
- Parameter 2 of on / off switch = "1" signifies ON while "0" signifies OFF.

The following is a list of available ASCII Z commands:

#### ZC

**Format: ZC GGMMPP B**[order]/**L**[abel] **RRRGGGBBB** (red ratio **000** – **255**,

green ratio 000 - 255, blue ratio 000 - 255) (NoDimColor)

**Function:** to set the border of the window (with / without 3D effect) and the

label's background color.

**Description**: **B**[order] to signify the border of the window.

L[abel] to signify the label's background color.

[NoDimColor] to signify the border's 3D effect. You can add [NoDimColor] to remove the border's 3D effect. Just enter NDC to

signify NoDimColor.

**Examples: ZC 010101 B 000255000** 

sets the border color of group 1, module 1, window 1, as green

with 3D effect.

ZC 020202 B 255000000 ndc

sets the border color of group 2, module 2, window 2, as red but

without 3D effect. **ZC 030303 L 000000255** 

sets the label color of group 3, module 3, window 3, as blue with

3D effect.

ZF

**Format: ZF GGMMPP 1** (on) / **0** (off).

**Function:** to turn on / off the video window's full screen mode.

**Examples**: **ZF** 010104 1

sets group 1, module 1, window 4, to full screen mode display.

ZF 010104 0

disables full screen mode for group 1, module 1, window 4, and

reverts it back to its former display size.

ZF 010105 1

sets group 1, module 1, cascade in source (DVI-I Input port) to full

screen mode display.

#### ZJ

**Format: ZJ GGMMPP I**[mage] / **G**[ain]

Function: to automatically adjust the analog VGA signal entering the **DVI-I** 

**Input** port of the Rainier.

**Description**: I[mage] will automatically adjust the image's position and size.

**G**[ain] will automatically adjust the image gain.

Examples: ZJ 000000 I

automatically adjust the image's position and size on all the

module(s) for all the group(s).

ZJ 020000 G

automatically adjust the image gain on all the module(s) in group

2.

#### ZM

**Format: ZM GGMMPP** ## (resolution number).

Function: to change the output resolution, the resolution number refers to the

list of resolutions that Rainier supports.

#### **Description**:

	Vertical Frequency		
Resolution	50 Hz	60 Hz	75 Hz
800 × 600	42	1	47
1024 × 768	31	2	11
1280 × 720	30	15	48
1280 × 768	32	22	49
1280 × 1024	29	9	12
1360 × 768	38	20	21
1400 × 1050	34	35	50
1440 × 900	46	45	51
1600 × 1200	39	10	52

	Vertical Frequency			
Resolution	50 Hz	60 Hz	75 Hz	
1680 × 1050	41	40	53	
1920 × 1080	28	26	N/A	
1920 × 1200	37	36	N/A	

**Examples**: ZM 010000 10

sets all the modules in group 1 to display at 1600×1200 resolution at 60 Hz vertical frequency.

ZM 000000 9

sets all the modules in all the groups to have a 1280×1024 resolution at 60 Hz vertical frequency.

NOTE: The maximum resolution for Rainier-4a / 4d is 1440×900.

#### ZP

**Format: ZP GGMMPP** L[oad] / **S**[ave] filename.**GP#** 

**Function:** load a previously saved preset or save current layout to a preset.

**Description**: If the filename includes space(s), use double quotation marks to

signify the complete filename.

If the filename is not specified when saving the file, system will

backup the file into flash memory.

Examples: ZP 000000 L 1.GP1

sets all the modules in all the groups to load the previously saved

1.GP1 preset file.

ZP 020000 S 2.GP2

saves the current layout of all modules in group 2 to a preset file 2.GP2.

**ZP 000000 S** 

saves the file of all modules in all the groups into flash memory.

#### ZT

Format: ZT GGMMPP 1 [tally 1] / 2 [tally 2] 1 (on) / 0 (off) # (color index

number)

**Function:** turn on or off tally for a window or all the windows in a group. The

color index number is a list of colors that tally can be.

**Description**: Designate the action of tally. The following table shows the color index.

Index	Color	
1	Null	
2	Red	
3	Green	
4	Yellow	
5	Blue	
6	Pink	
7	Light Blue	
8	White	

#### **Examples**: **ZT 000000 2 1 6**

activate tally 2 for all the window(s) in all the module(s) for all the group(s) with pink color.

#### ZT 010203 1 0

close tally 1 for group 1, module 2, window 3.

**NOTE:** Upon changing a tally color, the same color is applied to the other tally of the same module.

#### ZX

**Format: ZX GGMMPP** "label text" (include the quotation marks) # (font size

1 - 4

**Function:** to change the label text and font size.

**Description**: Include the quotation marks when entering the label text.

The label will appear center-aligned on the window (maximum of

32 characters for each label).

## Examples: ZX 000000 "Input 1"

Input 1 will appear as the label for all the window(s) in all the

module(s) of all the group(s).

ZX 000000 3

sets all window's label font size to 3.

# A Firmware Upgrade

This chapter familiarizes you with updating the firmware of your Avitech Rainier, as well as resetting it to the factory-default value. Updating of the firmware is divided into two main processes:

- Device driver installation (when you need to use the USB-to-RS-232 converter on the computer to update the firmware)
- Firmware update process (three stages)

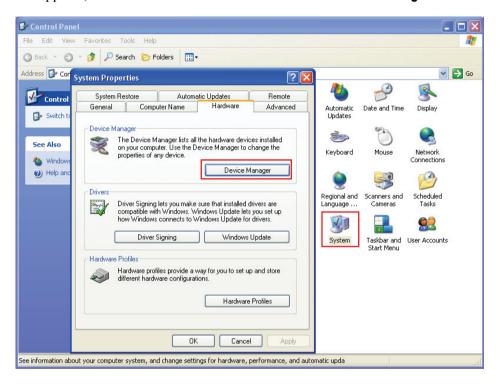
# A.1 Installing the Device Driver

NOTE: You need to install the device driver only if the computer does not have a serial (RS-232) port and you need to use the USB-to-RS-232 converter.

To install the device driver, perform the following steps:

- 1. Insert the included USB-to-serial converter's USB port side into a port on your computer. The computer's Plug-n-Play's feature will detect the new device and request for the device driver.
- 2. Insert the driver disc included on the USB-to-serial converter package into the optical drive of your computer and the autorun program would automatically start. If you need to start the program manually, run the autorun.exe program of the driver disc.
- 3. Select the picture on the screen that corresponds to your type of product by clicking on it and follow the onscreen instructions to complete the driver installation. The User Manual is also included on the driver disc.

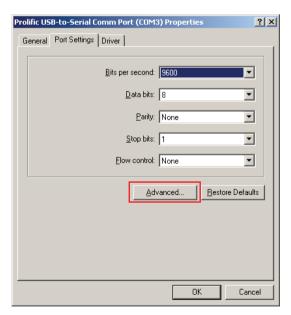
4. After successfully installing the device driver, the computer can now detect the USB-to-serial converter device name. To check, click **Start->Control Panel**. Double-click the **System** icon and when the **System Properties** screen appears, select the **Hardware** tab and then click the **Device Manager** button.



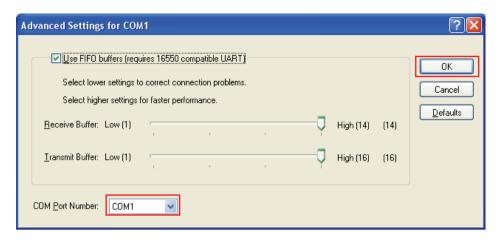
5. The following screen should show Prolific USB-to-Serial Comm Port (COM3).



6. Double-click on this item and the following screen appears. Select the **Port Settings** tab, and then click the **Advanced** button.



7. Make sure that the **COM Port Number** is set to **COM1**, and then click **OK**.



# A.2 Updating the Firmware

The firmware for Rainier is divided into:

- AX11015 firmware
- MB-1601 firmware
- CPLD firmware
- FPGA firmware

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- If you need to update all the firmware or just the AX11015 together with either MB-1601 / CPLD / FPGA firmware, make sure to perform AX11015 firmware update first.
- The CPLD and FPGA firmware can be updated at the same time or individually.

#### AX11015 Firmware

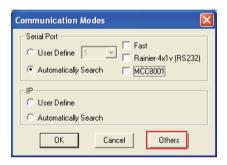
**IMPORTANT:** Before updating this firmware (CB RS232), make sure to disable the Windows Firewall settings for Galaxy software first (refer to the operating system's Help file for more details on setting Windows Firewall). When Windows Firewall is not disabled, upon power cycling (module power-on / off) the firmware upgrade process will stop on the Avitech logo screen (unable to upgrade the firmware).

To update the AX11015 firmware, perform the following steps:

- 1. Connect the power cable to the **100-240V AC** power jack on the rear panel of the Rainier and the other end to an electrical outlet.
- 2. Use a serial (RS-232) cable and connect one end to the Rainier rear panel's **Keypad/RS-232** port and the other end to the computer's serial port side.
- 3. Connect the Ethernet cable between the Rainier rear panel's **IP** port to the computer's RJ-45 port.

NOTE: Make sure that the point-to-point network connection method is being used. Using this method would help prevent failure during the update firmware process.

4. Run the Galaxy software by double-clicking the "Galaxy-V311.exe" file. Click **Others** when the following screen appears.



5. When the following screen appears, select **CB** (**RS232**) and on the **Style** dropdown menu, select **AX11015** (**Firmware**).

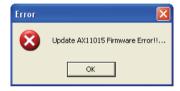


- 6. Click the **Browse** button to specify the location of the firmware file and select **AT-Rainierxxx-CB.bin** (where **xxxx** stands for your particular Rainier model for example **4U1V**).
- 7. Click the **Update** button located on the left lower portion of the screen.

8. When the next screen appears; pull off the power cord from the power jack to shutdown the Rainier. Next, re-attach the power cord to restart the Rainier within 15 seconds.



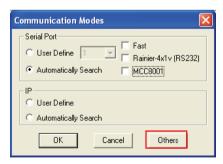
**NOTE:** Shutdown and startup of Rainier needs to be completed within 15 seconds. If not then the following error message will appear on screen. You will then need to redo steps 4 to 7 again to update the AX11015 firmware.



## MB-1601 Firmware

To update the MB-1601 firmware, perform the following steps:

1. Run the Galaxy software by double-clicking the "Galaxy-V311.exe" file. Click **Others** when the following screen appears.



2. When the following screen appears, select **CB** (**RS232**) and on the **Style** dropdown menu, select **Rainier xxxx** (1601) (where **xxxx** stands for your particular Rainier model for example **4U1V**).



- Click the Browse button to specify the location of the firmware file and select AT-Rainierxxx-MB1601.hex (where xxxx stands for your particular Rainier model for example 4U1V).
- 4. Push the upper number **2** dip switch as well as the lower number **1** dip switch located on the Rainier's rear panel downward to the **ON** position.



- 5. Click the **Update** button located on the left lower portion of the screen.
- 6. Push back the upper number **2** dip switch as well as the lower number **1** dip switch upward to the default position.
- 7. Reboot (unplug and re-plug the power cord) the Rainier when the MB-1601 firmware update is successful.

NOTE: Shutdown and startup of Rainier needs to be done to completely update the MB-1601 firmware.

#### **CPLD Firmware**

To update the CPLD firmware, perform the following steps:

- 1. Power on the Rainier module.
- 2. Connect the Ethernet cable between the Rainier rear panel's **IP** port to the computer's RJ-45 port.
- 3. Set the rotary **ID** located on the Rainier's rear panel to **F**.

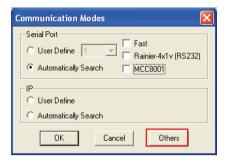


**IMPORTANT:** DO NOT set the rotary **ID** to **F** before powering on the Rainier module because update of CPLD firmware cannot work in "safe" mode.

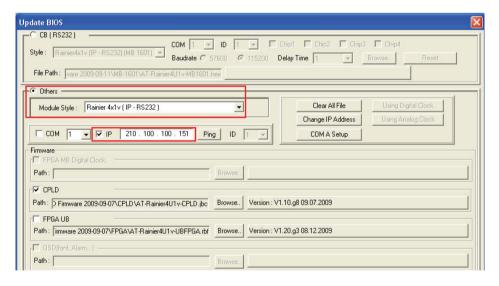
4. Push the lower number **1** dip switch located on the Rainier's rear panel downward to the **ON** position.



5. Run the Galaxy software by double-clicking the "Galaxy-V311.exe" file. Click **Others** when the following screen appears.



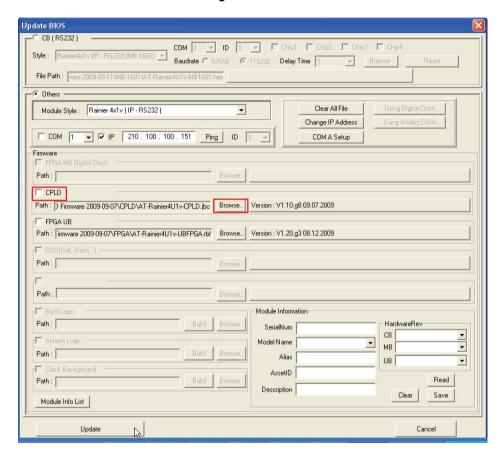
6. When the following screen appears, select **Others** and on the **Module Style** drop-down menu, select **Rainier xxxx** (where **xxxx** stands for your particular Rainier model for example **4U1V**).



7. Click to select the **IP** checkbox with the factory-default **210.100.100.151** value. In case you have changed the IP address of your Rainier, make sure to enter the correct IP address.

NOTE: In case you are not sure of your module's IP address and want to find out, click COM and make sure that the COM port number is the same as the connected computer, then click the Change IP Address button to find out the IP address. Afterwards, click Cancel to exit.

 Click to select the CPLD checkbox, and then click the Browse button to specify the location of the firmware file and select AT-Rainier4U1V-CPLD.jbc.



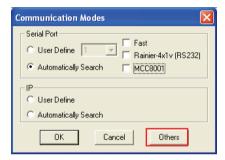
- 9. Click the **Update** button located on the left lower portion of the screen.
- 10. Power off (unplug the power cord) the Rainier module when CPLD firmware update is successful.
- 11. Push back the lower number 1 dip switch upward to the default position.
- 12. Set the rotary **ID** located on the Rainier's rear panel to the original setting.
- 13. Power on (re-plug the power cord) the Rainier module.

**NOTE**: Shutdown and startup of Rainier needs to be done to completely update the CPLD firmware.

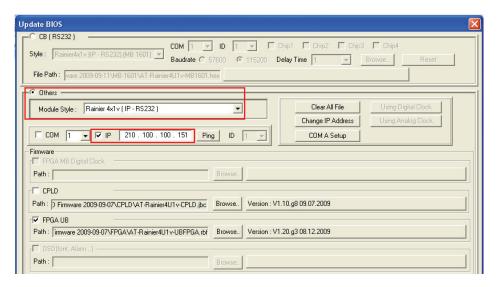
#### **FPGA Firmware**

To update the FPGA firmware, perform the following steps:

- 1. Connect the Ethernet cable between the Rainier rear panel's **IP** port to the computer's RJ-45 port.
- 2. Run the Galaxy software by double-clicking the "Galaxy-V311.exe" file. The following screen appears.



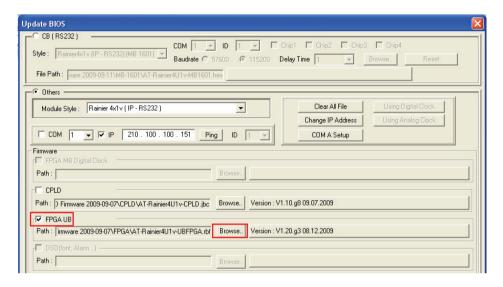
3. Click **Others** and when the following screen appears, select **Others** and on the **Module Style** drop-down menu, select **Rainier xxxx** (where **xxxx** stands for your particular Rainier model for example **4U1V**).



4. Click to select the **IP** checkbox with the factory-default **210.100.100.151** value. In case you have changed the IP address of your Rainier, make sure to enter the correct IP address.

NOTE: In case you are not sure of your module's IP address and want to find out, click COM and make sure that the COM port number is the same as the connected computer, then click the Change IP Address button to find out the IP address. Afterwards, click Cancel to exit.

 Click to select the FPGA UB checkbox, then click the Browse button to specify the location of the firmware file and select AT-Rainierxxxx-UBFPGA.rbf (where xxxx stands for your particular Rainier model for example 4U1V).



- 6. Click the **Update** button located on the left lower portion of the screen.
- 7. Reboot (unplug and re-plug the power cord) the Rainier when FPGA firmware update is successful.

NOTE: Shutdown and startup of Rainier needs to be done to completely update the FPGA firmware.

# A.3 Resetting to the Factory-Default State

To reset your Rainier to the factory-default state, perform the following steps:

1. Power-off the Rainier by unplugging the power cord.

2. Push the lower number **2** dip switch located on the Rainier rear panel downward to the **ON** position.



- 3. Power-on the Rainier by plugging in the power cord (make sure that power is available).
- 4. Push back the lower number **2** dip switch upward to the default position.